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FULLY ARMED TROOPS ARE HURRYING TO GOLDFIELD

Camp is Quiet, But an Undercurrent of Ugly Feeling Exists; Hot Heads Threaten What They Will Do When Soldiers Come.

NINE COMPANIES OF TWENTY-SECOND INFANTRY DISPATCHED FROM 'FRISCO

Will Reach Mining Camp by Special Train Early Today; Miners Seemed Dazed by Prompt Action Taken.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—Five companies of the Twenty-second infantry, stationed at Fort McDowell, in this city, and four companies of the same regiment at Monterey, were dispatched to Goldfield, Nev., today by Brigadier-General Frederick Funston, commanding the Department of California, in compliance with orders received from the War department late last night.

GOLDFIELD, Nev., Dec. 6.—There is intense, but suppressed, excitement in Goldfield today over the expected arrival of the United States troops in the Goldfield camp tomorrow morning. It is the only subject of conversation. Miners Union hall has been filled all day and crowds fill the sidewalks and streets in front. There has been no demonstration to speak of, though some excitement has been created by those who talk of what they will do after the troops come.

The miners have thought the reports of the troops were all a bluff, intended to intimidate them, and they have only come to a realization of the real situation in the last few hours. They seem disconcerted and nonplussed, as events have happened and swept along too fast for them. They are certainly unprepared for the present turn of affairs.

President McKim of the local Miners union, a brother-in-law of William D. Hayward, is in charge of the miners' campaign. Vincent St. John has been in the hospital for several weeks, as a result of a gunshot wound received in a duel between himself and another labor leader, but he is ready for duty now.

Sheriff Disappears.
Sheriff Ingalls and his force are disgraced at the coming of the troops and this afternoon the Sheriff disappeared and his whereabouts are unknown. It is conjectured that his action has an important bearing on the present situation. Before he left, the Sheriff said he knew of no trouble in Goldfield, and that the call for troops was made over his head. The Sheriff and his forces have always been charged by the Mine Owners association as being more than friendly to the miners.

He is one of the owners of one of the largest saloons and gambling houses in Goldfield, largely patronized by the miners. Last spring, during the strike, hundreds of striking miners were sworn in as deputy sheriffs and armed. It was because of this distrust of the Sheriff that the mine operators appealed to the Governor direct. Under Sheriff Bert Knight and nearly all the county officers signed a protest against troops coming to Goldfield and sent it to the Governor.

It is understood by the mine operators that the coming of the troops means a permanent garrison at Goldfield.

It is declared the plan has been under consideration for several months and that a number of applications have been made by the mine owners throughout the State for such action by the War department. But little of the details could be gathered, but it is understood the post will be a branch of the President and that it will be a regularly established military post. The statement is made that the post will have to be established in a few months and that troops are being hurried to Goldfield at all times to prevent the possible outbreak of violence in the event of an attempt on the part of the operators to reopen their mines.

WASHINGTON AUTHORITIES ALARMED BY SITUATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—A situation of the utmost and immediate danger at Goldfield, Nev., is revealed in the official correspondence between Governor Sparks of that State and the President, just made public. The Governor's appeal for troops is construed by the authorities here to indicate the imminence of great peril and if actual violence is to occur at all, it is expected before the arrival of the troops from California in Goldfield.

The Governor's appeal to the President, dated at Carson City, yesterday, follows:

"At Goldfield, Esmeralda county, State of Nevada, there does now exist demonstrations of violence and unlawful conditions and conspiracies which do not so obstruct and continue to so obstruct and hinder the execution of the laws of the State of Nevada and now deprive and continue to deprive the

people of said section of the State of rights, privileges, immunities and protection named in the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Nevada and which are secured by the laws for the protection of such rights, privileges and immunities. And the constituted authorities of the State of Nevada are now and continue to be unable to protect the people in such rights and the reason of such inability and the particulars thereof are therefore, to wit:

Various Unlawful Acts.

"Unlawful dynamiting of property, commission of felonies, threats against the lives and property of law-abiding citizens, the unlawful possession of arms and ammunition, and the commission of dynamite with threats of the unlawful use of the same by preconcerted action.

"The lawfully constituted authorities of this State are unable to apprehend and punish the perpetrators of said crimes and to prevent the commission of other threatened crimes and unless the relief hereinafter requested is granted, this State and the lives and property of a large number of its people will be irreparably affected, and damaged, contrary to the peace and dignity of the United States and of the State of Nevada.

Therefore, pursuant to article 4, section 4, of the Constitution of the United States, and to sections 5207 and 5208 of the Revised Statutes thereof, I, John Sparks, Governor, do hereby respectfully request that your Excellency, Theodore Roosevelt, President, do immediately send to Goldfield, at Esmeralda county, two companies of the troops of the army of the United States to suppress unlawful disorder and violence, to protect life and property, to restore peace and to insure execution of law by the people of the State of Nevada.

Reply of the President.

The President's reply, dated today, was as follows:

"To the acting Secretary of War: Referring to the accompanying formal request of Governor Sparks of Nevada for Federal troops to restore order at Goldfield, please direct General Funston to send a sufficient number of troops to be wholly adequate to meet any emergency. It is far better to avoid conflict by sending too many troops than by sending too few to run the risk of inviting bloodshed."

"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

In his dispatch to the Adjutant General of the army, General Funston says:

"I have just conferred with a prominent mining operator of Goldfield, now here, a man thoroughly familiar with all conditions there. He states that the Federation of Miners in Goldfield numbers 3200, of whom about 1000 have rifles and shotguns. Not more than 300 of these men might be considered dangerous and the rest would resist regular troops. Their leaders are some of the men who made so much trouble in Idaho and Colorado. Danger is that before the troops can arrive they will blow up mines and kill people. Sheriff is member of the federation and in sympathy with them. Schedule time of trains is twenty-six hours; special could make it in eighteen. I feel that I am showing paper in San Francisco knew that the department had wired within three hours after receipt by me of message. Information came from their Washington correspondence."

Sending a Large Force.

Acting Secretary of War Oliver today made public all of the correspondence so that the facts impelling the ordering of troops to Goldfield might be known. In addition to General Funston's dispatch announcing that he had intended to send two companies in the first place to Goldfield came later correspondence showing that upon inside information as to the situation in that mining camp it had become apparent that a smaller force would only invite attack or resistance by the riotous element, when an overwhelming force would insure peace by making it apparent to the lawless element that resistance would be hopeless.

Following his first dispatch, above referred to, General Funston last night telegraphed the Adjutant General for authority to hire transportation for his

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BRYAN INAUGURATES ILLINOIS CAMPAIGN

PRESPORT, Ill., Dec. 6.—William J. Bryan opened his Illinois campaign for nomination for the presidency on the Democratic ticket here tonight in two rousing Democratic speeches, delivered before mass meetings, and later at a banquet, at which nearly 700 prominent northern Illinois politicians assembled.

Mr. Bryan spoke on the vindication of the Democratic platform since 1896. The Republican party, said Mr. Bryan, has been steadily falling from popularity, and today but one man can win the presidency, one who will have to break away from precedent and accept a third term.

Mr. Bryan also addressed the two mass meetings on lines similar to those of Mr. Bryan. Samuel Alschuler of Aurora, and former Mayor E. F. Dunne of Chicago also spoke.

Westerners in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—Salt Lake—F. A. Starkweather, Majestic; O. W. Powell and wife, Great Northern; Oscar L. Cox and wife, Auditorium; George T. Odell, E. J. McNutt, A. E. Hutchinson, J. A. Reeves, Auditorium Annex; Hy. and Kate Zimmermann, Kaiserhof.

Boise—E. Van Dusen, Grace. Wyoming—Leroy—Charles O. Richardson, Great Northern.

Casper—Mrs. W. R. Johnson and son, A. L. Wallace, Great Northern.

WARM CONTEST FOR NATIONAL CONVENTION

Kansas City and Chicago Leading City in Fight for Gathering of Republicans.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The Republican National committee, which was called to meet here to name a time and place for holding the Republican National convention next year, was in session for an hour at the Shoreham hotel today, but aside from the election of acting Chairman Harry S. New to fill the remainder of the unexpired term of Secretary Cortelyou, the session was confined to preliminary details. Mr. New had no opposition, and the vote was unanimous. He made a brief speech accepting the election, promising to devote all his energies toward providing for a fair and impartial convention.

Contest for Convention.

Meanwhile the friends of the various cities which desire to secure the convention were actively at work. There are delegations here from Kansas City and Denver, and while there is no delegation from Chicago, a great deal of work is being done in behalf of that city by Representative Dowd, who is a member of the National committee, and by several other members who are interesting themselves to the utmost extent to throw the convention to the Lake city. They made material progress during the day, and tonight are boldly claiming that they have practically won. This is not conceded by the Kansas City advocates, but most of them do not show the same confidence they manifested yesterday. Tomorrow's session will be devoted to listening to the claims of the various cities and after the orators will come the voting.

The fight between Chicago and Kansas City was quite acute during the day, and there were charges of political interest on both sides, but these were denied.

Of the fifty-four members of the National committee from twenty-three to twenty-five are said to be pledged to Kansas City and an equal number to Chicago. The remainder of the committee membership are non-committal and their votes will decide the city in which the convention will be held.

Work of Sub-Committee.

The sub-committee of the Republican National committee appointed to frame a call for the next Republican National convention met this afternoon to give hearings to persons desiring to have special provisions in the call in order that the selection of delegates as prescribed by the committee might not conflict with the laws of their States. Since the last National convention was held several States have passed laws prescribing the method of electing delegates, and in several instances these laws conflict with the methods of the committee that have prevailed in the past. The committee will endeavor to so frame the call as to avoid conflict with reasonable State laws.

Prince Kulekananalo of Hawaii appeared to ask the committee to give the Hawaiian Islands four instead of two delegates in the National committee.

The committee did not conclude its work today, but will meet again tomorrow and report to the National committee tomorrow afternoon.

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MAJ. W. L. GEARY OF SAN FRANCISCO DIES

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—Major William L. Geary, U. S. A., died this morning at 3 o'clock in the Army General hospital at the Presidio, where he has been ill with Bright's disease. Major Geary was the first white child born in San Francisco, his father having been the last alcalde and the first mayor of San Francisco. He entered the army during the Civil war when 13 years of age as drummer boy in a Pennsylvania infantry regiment and was breveted captain at the close of the war. He then was graduated from West Point and later served in the Philippines. For the last two years he was stationed at Seattle.

OSCAR OF SWEDEN IS GRADUALLY SINKING

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6.—A bulletin issued this evening by the physicians in attendance on King Oscar showed that no essential change in the monarch's condition had taken place during the day. The fight between the disease and his strength again was increasing. His temperature was 99.38 and his pulse was fairly strong, but irregular.

Hegeman Says Not Guilty.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—John R. Hegeman, president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, was arraigned today in the criminal branch of the Supreme Court and pleaded not guilty to three indictments charging perjury. Trial was fixed for December 14.

College Is Heavy Loser.

TUPEKA, Kan., Dec. 6.—Rice hall at Washburn college was destroyed by fire today, involving a loss of \$106,000. The origin of the fire was defective fuse. The building was four stories high, containing the botanical and mineral collections and the laboratories.

WORST MINING DISASTER IN HISTORY OF AMERICA

Hundreds of Workmen Entombed by Explosion of Coal Dust in Mines of Consolidation Company at Monongah, W. Va.

IMPRISONED VICTIMS NUMBER 380; LITTLE HOPE THAT ANY ESCAPED

Will be Hours Before Rescuers Reach the Deep Workings and Learn Full Extent of the Horror.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., Dec. 6.—At 11 o'clock tonight the list of employees of mines Nos. 6 and 8, at Monongah had been checked off, showing that 380 were in the two mines when the explosion occurred. Of these, six have been brought to the surface dead, and five escaped through air shafts. The latter five are in the miners' hospital here, with serious injuries and in a precarious condition.

Neither entry has been opened to the real workings and the indications are that a majority if not all caught in the mine are dead.

It is rumored here that mine officials have ordered 380 coffins shipped to Monongah as soon as possible.

Clarence W. Watson, president of the mining company, was at Parkersburg when the explosion occurred, and chartered a special train to bring him to the scene.

MONONGAH, W. Va., Dec. 6.—Three charred bodies lying in the improvised morgue, four badly injured men and 380 imprisoned by tons of coal, rock and mine debris in the depths of the hills surrounding this mining town, with the chances all against a single one of them being alive, is the most accurate summary obtainable tonight of the results of a mine explosion today which, in all probability, was attended by greater loss of life than any other disaster in the history of the bituminous coal mining industry of America.

The explosion occurred shortly after 9 o'clock today, after the full force of 500 men had gone to work in the two mines affected. These mines are Nos. 6 and 8 of the Consolidation Coal company, located on opposite sides of the west fork of the river. At this place, but merged in their underground workings by a heading and on the surface by a great steel tippie and bridge.

The finding of the three bodies and the four dying men is the only reward of the strenuous and unintermittent work on the part of the large rescuing forces that immediately set to work at every possible point.

Futile Struggle for Life.
The three living men, while unable to give any detailed report of the disaster, state that they had been in the mine when they began their frantic struggle for liberty, there was a large number of men engaged in a similar struggle, while still further back in the workings there was a larger number of whom they knew nothing.

The opinion of the mine officials and others familiar with mining that these seven men had not penetrated the mine as far as had the majority of the men, who were in the mine when the explosion occurred, and that they headed for and reached the main entrance before the heavy cave-in that now blocks the way, is the only hope that the men in the mine when the debris can be cleared away and communication with the outside be established.

As to the miners referred to by the rescuers, men who have been alive when last seen, it is believed that they were caught back of a heavy cave-in and could not have survived more than a few hours. They were in the mine when the explosion occurred, and the entry filled as soon as the ventilating system was interrupted. There is more hope for the men in the mine when the debris can be cleared away and communication with the outside be established.

Cause of Explosion Unknown.
There is much speculation as to the cause of the explosion, but the most generally accepted theory is that it resulted from a spark from a lamp, which set off a chain of explosions. It is believed that a mine attempted to set off a blast, which blew out and ignited an accumulation of gas, which then exploded, and the explosion of the coal dust, a highly inflammable substance found in greater or less quantities in all coal mines, was the result.

The explosion affected both mines, and was so great that it was impossible to have done about as much damage in one as in the other. It has not been established in which mine it originated. Evidencing the terrific force of the concussion, props in the entry of No. 6 mine, supporting the roof, were not only shattered and torn from their position, but were blown out of the entry and to the opposite side of the river. Other evidence of the awful force is shown in every section of the mines that have been reached by the rescuers. Huge quantities of coal and rock have been loosened and hurled into the air, beyond what could be accounted for by the wrecked beyond semblance of its original shape.

Terrible Force Evident.
The entry of No. 6 mine, 500 feet from the mouth, is piled high with wreckage of two strings of cars and two electric motors. Some of the rescuers have climbed over the debris, but have made no attempt to reach the surface, partly because it would be almost impossible to carry the bodies over the debris, but more particularly because they do not want to lose any time in reaching other sections of the mine where it is possible men still living may be entombed. The cars are being righted as fast as possible and removed from the entry, together with all other obstructions.

The American miners of the town have been placed in charge of the relief work, but the Italian and other foreigners are working under them most faithfully. It is not possible for a man to remain long in the depths of the mine and the rescue forces are divided to work in relays with frequent reliefs. Many in the relief have been exhausted and been sent to the surface.

The mines are owned and operated by the Consolidated Coal company of Baltimore. General offices are located in Baltimore and the operative offices in Fairmont, W. Va. The company is said to be one of the largest operating in the bituminous coal industry of the world. It is capitalized at \$20,000,000 and has in operation about 100 producing plants.

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Most of Men Foreigners.
Monongah is a mining town in Marion county, W. Va., about six miles southwest of Fairmont. It has a population of about 5000, most of whom are foreigners.

Along the hills, far back from the main opening of mine No. 8, there are a number of openings into the mine and these hundreds of relatives and friends of the entombed men frantically rushed in the vain hope that their loved ones might find escape through these channels or that they might be more readily reached and released so far as known, however, not a single man escaped this way and the would-be rescuers are helpless at these points for out of each entrance there is pouring a volume of poisonous gases which no human being can face for more than a few minutes at a time.

The scenes round about the entries to the mines and throughout the town are even more pathetic than those which usually attend a disaster of this kind. A larger proportion of American and Americanized foreigners than are usually found in a purely mining settlement. Wives and mothers and sweethearts, together with children and members of the stronger sex, move from place to place, vainly seeking information and making no attempt to conceal their grief. But little news can be given them and such as they do get is bad. From time to time these women are told that bodies have been found at one place or another, and in nearly every case the bodies are found to be either terribly torn and mangled or burned and blackened.

Governor Will Investigate.
WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 6.—Gov. Dawson of West Virginia, who is in Washington attending the Rivers and Harbors congress, left for Charleston tonight and announced that he would at once institute a rigid investigation of the cause of the disaster.

TAFT MAKES ONLY BRIEF STOP IN BERLIN
BERLIN, Dec. 6.—Secretary of War Taft and the members of his party arrived this evening from Russia and late tonight, after attending a reception in his honor, the Secretary and his party departed for Hamburg and Cuxhaven, where tomorrow they will embark on the steamer President Grant for New York. Mrs. Taft at the same time will be accompanied by Ambassador Tower and Lieut.-Col. John P. Wieser, the American military attaché, met the Secretary and his party at the railway station here.

A number of German and foreign newspaper correspondents joined the Secretary's train and will accompany him and came with it to Berlin. The Secretary, in an interview, said that his journey was entirely without political significance.

STANDARD OIL ATTORNEYS GET ANOTHER SET-BACK
CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—Judge K. M. Landis of the United States Circuit court today refused to allow the attorneys for the Standard Oil company to insert in the bill of exceptions to his judgment of \$23,400,000 against the company, a statement that a jury had been asked to find that the company was not liable for the fine had not been imposed in regular form. The counts on which it was based were not specified, and that, therefore, there was no additional ground for appeal. The bill of exceptions was set aside and the case was remanded to the trial court for a new trial.

Falls Dead in Office.
TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 6.—Oliver La Bounty, a well-known business man of Buckley, this county, dropped dead in the office of Dr. Sheets at that place shortly before noon today, of heart failure, resulting from a fatal stroke. He was 39 years of age and leaves a widow and one child.

Another Boost for Hughes.
WATERTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 6.—The Lincoln league, the leading Republican organization of northern New York, with a membership of 100, has adopted resolutions recommending Gov. Hughes to all Republicans as the next Republican nominee for President.